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Veterans Affairs offers walk-in Shingles Vaccine clinic

OMAHA, Neb. — The Department of Veterans Affairs will hold a walk-in clinic for Veterans to receive a vaccine to protect them from shingles from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 14 to May 18 in the main lobby area of the medical center at 4101 Woolworth Ave, Omaha, Neb.

Veterans who are 60 years and older are encouraged to get the vaccination to protect them from shingles, or to help prevent a recurrence.

Veterans can also receive the vaccine during regularly scheduled medical appointments at any Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System appointment.

Veterans eligible for VA health care do not have a co-payment. However, by law, VA is required to bill a Veteran's health insurance carrier for services provided to treat a non-service connected condition

Shingles most-often occurs in people who have medical conditions that keep the immune system from working properly.

The VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System's mission is to honor America's Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being. VA NWIHCS employees serve more than 161,000 Veterans in Nebraska, western Iowa and portions of Kansas and Missouri. The system includes a tertiary medical center in Omaha and a Community Living Center in Grand Island, Neb. Community-based outpatient clinics are located in Lincoln, Grand Island, North Platte, Norfolk, and Bellevue, Neb., and Shenandoah, Iowa; and a contract outreach clinic in O'Neill, Neb. For more information, visit www.nebraska.va.gov.

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